COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES



FIRE DEPARTMENT

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P. MICHAEL FREEMAN FIRE CHIEF FORESTER & FIRE WARDEN

September 19, 2006

The Honorable Board of Supervisors County of Los Angeles 383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration 500 West Temple Street Los Angeles, CA 90012

Dear Supervisors:

APPROVE THE ATTACHED APPROPRIATION ADJUSTMENT TO TRANSFER FUNDS FROM THE FIRE DISTRICT'S DESIGNATION FOR INFRASTRUCTURE GROWTH TO THE FIRE DISTRICT'S SPECIAL OPERATIONS BUDGET UNIT (ALL DISTRICTS) (4 VOTES)

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD ACTING AS THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CONSOLIDATED FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY:

Approve the attached Appropriation Adjustment to transfer \$13.2 million from the District's Designation for Infrastructure Growth to the Fire District's Special Operations Budget Unit Services and Supplies appropriation.

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION:

The purpose of the recommended action is to transfer \$13.2 million from the Fire District's Designation for Infrastructure Growth to the Fire District's Special Operations Budget Unit to continue the first phase of funding for replacement of the Fire District's voice and data emergency communications systems project as approved by your Board on April 19, 2005 as part of the Fire District's Spending Plan for major expenditures.

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Background:

The Fire District is planning to utilize this \$13.2 million to fund the replacement of emergency communications systems equipment including handheld radio accessories, mobile radios, aircraft radios, and fixed infrastructure equipment necessary to maintain efficient operations during transition to the Fire/Sheriff radio system and/or regional communications system.

This will provide the Fire District with the capability to safely maintain operations utilizing the current legacy system (wideband analog technology) and the ability to transition to a future FCC compliant system (narrowband digital, P25 technology).

IMPLEMENTATION OF STRATEGIC PLAN GOALS:

Approval of the recommended action supports the County's Strategic *Goal #4 for Fiscal Responsibility and Goal #8* for *Public Safety*, by increasing the safety and security of all residents in Los Angeles County through the comprehensive integration of public safety information systems in a cost-effective manner.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING:

With your Board's approval of the enclosed Appropriation Adjustment, sufficient funding will be available in the Fire District's Special Operations Budget Unit Services and Supplies appropriation for the replacement of emergency communications systems equipment.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS:

The Chief Administrative Office and Auditor Controller have reviewed the recommended action.

CONTRACTING PROCESS:

Not applicable.

IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS):

Approval of the recommended action will ensure the Fire District's firefighter personnel are supported by safe and effective wireless emergency communications to provide essential levels of public safety service to the residents of Los Angeles County. The action will expand the Fire District's interoperability communication capabilities and provide necessary voice equipment to maintain operations transitional to the Fire/Sheriff Project and regional communications system.

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CONCLUSION:

Upon approval by the Board of Supervisors, please instruct the Executive Officer to return adopted copies of this letter to:

- Los Angeles County Consolidated Fire Protection District Executive Office
 1320 North Eastern Avenue
 Los Angeles, CA 90063
 Attention: P. Michael Freeman, Fire Chief
- Los Angeles County Consolidated Fire Protection District Financial Management Division 5801 South Eastern Avenue, Suite 130 Commerce, CA 90040 Attention: Helen Jo, Chief, Financial Management Division

Respectfully submitted,

P. MICHAEL FREEMAN

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Attachment

c: Chief Administrative Officer County Counsel Executive Officer, Board of Supervisors Auditor-Controller

COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

REQUEST FOR APPROPRIATION ADJUSTMENT

DEPT'S. 390-02

DEPARTMENT OF FIRE

August 28, xx 2006

AUDITOR-CONTROLLER.

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ACCOUNTING APPROPRIATION ADJUSTMENT IS DEEMED NECESSARY BY THIS DEPARTMENT. WILL YOU PLEASE REPORT AS TO ACCOUNTING AND AVAILABLE BALANCES AND FORWARD TO THE CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER FOR HIS RECOMMENDATION OR ACTION.

ADJUSTMENT REQUESTED AND REASONS THEREFOR

4-VOTE Fiscal Year 2006-07

SOURCES:

Fire Department
Financing Elements
Designation for Infrastructure Growth
DA1-FR-40109-3060
\$ 13,200,000

USES:

Fire Department Special Operations Services & Supplies DA1-FR-40041-2000 \$ 13,200,000

This Appropriation Adjustment is necessary to fund the replacement of emergency communications systems equipment including handheld radio accessories, mobile radios, aircraft radios and fix infrastructure equipment necessary to maintain efficient operations during transition to the Fire/Sheriff radio system and/or regional communications system.

Theresa Barrera, Assistant Chief, FMD

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER'S REPORT

REFERRED TO THE CHIEF ACTION ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER FOR—	APPROVED AS REQUESTED AS REVISED AS REVISED
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